## KAUA'I POLICE DEPARTMENT

## **News Release**

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## KPD warns public about email scam

LĪHU'E – Police officials have recently received complaints from victims of a fraudulent email campaign and are urging the public not to reply to this type of solicitation.

Those who did respond have had their bank accounts wiped out.

According to police, the email targets customers of HFS Federal Credit Union. The message claims that fraudulent activities have occurred on some of HFSFCU's online accounts and therefore the company has just implemented a new security system. In order to prove that the customer's account remains secure, account details would need to be provided.

"We urge the public to ignore this type of communication whether it's an email message, letter or a telephone call," said Lt. Roy Asher, head of KPD's Investigative Services Adult Section.

His advice to those who are contacted about their bank accounts is to call their respective financial institutions for verification of such inquiries.

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